

STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS; Fabry disease is a progressive, inherited genetic disorder that, while potentially destructive, is treatable if properly diagnosed and treated; and

WHEREAS; Fabry disease is caused by a genetically induced deficiency of the enzyme alpha-galactosidase A, or α -Gal A, that results in a buildup of lipids in the body, causing cell and organ damage; and

WHEREAS; left untreated, Fabry disease may lead to premature death in adults due to stroke, kidney failure, and heart failure; and

WHEREAS; the early detection, diagnosis, and treatment of Fabry disease is key to preventing irreversible damage to the bodies of those with the disorder and to protecting their overall quality of life; and

WHEREAS; Fabry disease is severely under-diagnosed, which has detrimental effects on all patients who would benefit from medical intervention; and

WHEREAS; healthcare providers and families should be aware of the symptoms of Fabry disease, and of the different approaches to screening and treatment that exist; and

WHEREAS; the state of Wisconsin urges all Wisconsinites to learn about Fabry disease, support members of their communities who are affected by it, and assess their own family risk;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim April 2020 as

FABRY DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance
to all our state's residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have
hereunto set my hand and caused the
Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin
to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in
the City of Madison this 12th day
of April 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Evers".

TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Douglas La Follette".
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State